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SECOND LEAD ROCKET SHOTS

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)—THE UNITED STATES HAS FIRED THREE NUCLEAR BOMB BLASTS AT "ENORMOUS ALTITUDES," CREATING AN ELECTRONIC SHEET THAT CIRCLED MOST OF THE WORLD.

ONE RELIABLE OFFICIAL SAID THE TESTS WERE AN EFFORT TO SPREAD A SHIELD THROUGH WHICH MISSILES COULD NOT FLY.

REPORTS FROM RELIABLE QUARTERS SAID THE TESTS WERE TO HAVE EXPLORED THE POSSIBILITY OF GENERATING AT AN ALTITUDE OF ABOUT 300 MILES A DIFFUSION OF NEUTRONS WHICH WOULD OFFSET THE NUCLEAR REACTION IN MISSILE WARHEADS. HOWEVER, DEFENSE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WOULD NOT COMMENT ON MILITARY SIGNIFICANCE OF THE TESTS.

OFFICIALS SAID TONIGHT THE TESTS ARE OF BOTH SCIENTIFIC AND MILITARY INTERESTS.

THE BLASTS WERE DETONATED ABOVE THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, BUT THE HEIGHT WAS NOT DISCLOSED.

DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE DONALD QUARLES AND DR. HERBERT YORK, DIRECTOR OF PENTAGON RESEARCH, CONFIRMED TONIGHT THAT THE HIGHLY SECRET SHOTS WERE FIRED OVER THE SOUTH ATLANTIC LATE LAST SEPTEMBER.

YORK SAID THE ELECTRONIC SHEET CREATED BY THE BOMB BLASTS EXTENDED AROUND THE WHOLE WORLD EXCEPT FOR BREAKS OVER BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH POLES.

YORK WOULD NOT SAY HOW DEEP THE ARTIFICIAL SHEET OF ELECTRONS WAS OR HOW LONG THE PHENOMENON LASTED.

THE CIRCLING PATTERN WAS SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE VAN ALLEN RADIATION BELT--A MYSTERIOUS BAND OF RADIATION BEGINNING AT ABOUT 1,000 MILES ABOVE THE EARTH.

THE VAN ALLEN BELT EXTENDS, WITH SOME INTERRUPTIONS, UP TO AT LEAST 12,000 MILES ABOVE THE EARTH.

YORK SAID THAT BECAUSE OF THE EXTREMELY HIGH ALTITUDE OF THE DETONATIONS, THERE WOULD BE NO FALLOUT OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL FROM THE BOMBS UPON THE EARTH.

"AT SUCH AN ENORMOUS ALTITUDE," HE SAID, "THE RADIOACTIVE DEBRIS FROM THE BOMBS JUST SPREADS OUT (IN SPACE)."

YORK SAID THE PHENOMENON CREATED ABOVE THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE BY THE DETONATIONS FORMED A SHEET OF ELECTRONS WHICH WAS "AN ARTIFICIAL VERSION OF THE NATURAL EFFECT" OF THE VAN ALLEN BELT.

THE MAIN OBJECTIVE OF THE SHOTS, FIRED FROM NAVAL CRAFT, WAS TO "TEST IMPORTANT THEORIES ABOUT THE TRAPPING OF ELECTRONS BY THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD," YORK SAID.

THE NON-MILITARY PART OF THE TEST, YORK ADDED, WAS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE NATURE AND ORIGIN OF THE VAN ALLEN BELT OF RADIATION.

WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JAMES C. HAGERTY DECLINED LATE TONIGHT TO COMMENT ON THE TESTS.

IN REPLY TO QUESTIONS ABOUT THE EXPERIMENT, THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT ISSUED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TONIGHT:

"THE UNITED STATES FIRED IN THE SOUTH ATLANTIC LATE IN SEPTEMBER A SERIES OF THREE SMALL NUCLEAR DEVICES AT A VERY HIGH ALTITUDE OUTSIDE THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE.

"THE PURPOSE WAS TWO-FOLD--ONE TO TEST IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC THEORIES ABOUT THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD AND (2) TO TEST HIGH ALTITUDE EFFECTS OF MILITARY INTEREST THE DETAILS OF WHICH WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED.

REGARDING THE FIRST OBJECTIVE, THE EXPERIMENTS PROVIDED DATA ABOUT THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD WHICH SUPPLEMENTED DATA ABOUT NATURAL RADIATION OBSERVED BY THE EXPLORER SATELLITES LAST SPRING AND REVEALED BY DR. JAMES VAN ALLEN, THE PHYSICIST.

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EXPLORER IV COLLECTED DATA FROM THESE SOUTH ATLANTIC SHOTS AND THIS DATA WILL BE RELEASED THROUGH NORMAL SCIENTIFIC CHANNELS AFTER IT HAS BEEN PROPERLY REDUCED AND STUDIED."

QUARLES SAID THE RESULTS OF THE TEST "ARE CONSIDERED IMPORTANT AND ARE BEING STUDIED BY MANY SCIENTISTS. NO REPORT WAS MADE BECAUSE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EXPERIMENT AND THE TIME REQUIRED TO STUDY THE RESULTS."

THE EXPERIMENT, QUARLES ADDED, WAS "AN EXPLORATION OF THE UNKNOWN ~~EXPANDS~~ ^{in an area that} MAY HAVE CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE."

HE SAID THE MAIN OBJECTIVE AT THIS TIME IS TO GAIN SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION BUT "THIS IS NOT TO SAY IT DOES NOT HAVE POSSIBLE MILITARY IMPORTANCE."

DR. JAMES VAN ALLEN, STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA PHYSICIST WHO DISCOVERED THE RADIATION BELT THAT BEARS HIS NAME, HAS SAID THAT THE APPARENT EXISTENCE OF THE BREAKS IN THE RADIATION BELT OVER THE POLES MIGHT PROVIDE A FORM OF ESCAPE HATCH FOR FUTURE SPACE FLIERS IF IT BECAME NECESSARY TO AVOID ENTIRELY THE MAIN RADIATION BELTS.

YORK DECLINED TO SAY HOW DEEP WAS THE SHEET OF ELECTRONS CREATED BY THE BOMB TEST, AND HE OFFERED NO INFORMATION ON HOW LONG THE PHENOMENON LASTED.

HE SAID THE DETONATION OF THE BOMBS RELEASED ELECTRONS FROM THE BOMBS INTO SPACE ABOVE THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, AND THAT "THE TRAPPING" OF THESE BY THE EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD CREATED THE GREAT SHEET THAT EVENTUALLY ENCIRCLED THE GLOBE.

HE DECLINED TO SAY AT WHAT SPECIFIC ALTITUDE THE BOMBS WERE DETONATED BUT HE SAID THEY WERE ALL DETONATED OUTSIDE THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT THEY WERE SET OFF AT LEAST 100 MILES ABOVE THE EARTH.

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SECOND NIGHT LEAD MACMILLAN (120)
BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OTTAWA, MARCH 18 (AP)—PRIME MINISTER MACMILLAN TODAY SHOWED CANADIAN GOVERNMENT LEADERS HIS PROPOSALS FOR LESSENING EAST-WEST TENSIONS IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL HINT OF DETAILS, BUT INFORMANTS SAID THE PLAN CALLS FOR A STANDSTILL OF FORCES IN A PART OF EUROPE.

CANADA WAS SAID TO HAVE CONCURRED ON THE BROAD OUTLINES BUT CANADIAN SOURCES SAID THAT DOES NOT YET IMPLY A PLEDGE OF SUPPORT BY CANADA TO WHAT ESSENTIALLY IS A BRITISH PLAN.

BUT IN REPORTING THE GENERAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MACMILLAN, CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER DIEFENBAKER AND OTHER OFFICIALS, ONE INFORMANT SAID: THEY CAME TO A MEETING OF MINDS.

MACMILLAN WILL SEEK U.S. VIEWS ON THE PLAN IN MEETINGS STARTING TOMORROW IN WASHINGTON.

HE SAID HE IS SURE THE WESTERN POWERS WILL POOL THEIR STRATEGY IN THE BERLIN CRISIS AND PRESENT A FIRM STAND AGAINST SOVIET THREATS.

THE BRITISH LEADER FLEW IN FROM LONDON FOR A DAY OF TALKS WITH CANADA'S POLICY PLANNERS BEFORE LEAVING TOMORROW FOR COLD WAR STRATEGY CONFERENCES IN WASHINGTON WITH PRESIDENT EISENHOWER AND A HOSPITAL CHAT WITH AILING SECRETARY OF STATE DULLES.

HE WILL GIVE THEM A FIRST HAND ACCOUNT OF HIS TALKS WITH SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV IN MOSCOW.

"I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT OUR VISITS TO OTTAWA AND WASHINGTON WILL SERVE TO CONSOLIDATE AND CONFIRM THE UNITED WILL OF THE WESTERN WORLD," MACMILLAN SAID.

"ONLY IN UNITY SHALL WE FIND THE STRENGTH TO COMBINE FIRM

PRINCIPLES WITH READINESS TO NEGOTIATE."

HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THE WEST WILL FORM A UNITED FRONT "TO STAND FIRM AGAINST THREATS."

HE NOTED THAT THERE ARE WIDE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN EAST AND WEST ON A GERMAN SETTLEMENT.

BUT HE ASSERTED THERE WAS GENERAL ACCEPTANCE NOW ON BOTH SIDES THAT NEGOTIATIONS MUST TAKE PLACE THIS SUMMER. HE ADDED: "AND I BELIEVE THAT IS A GREAT GAIN."

EISENHOWER SAID MONDAY HE IS AGREEABLE TO AN EAST-WEST SUMMIT CONFERENCE THIS SUMMER, PROVIDED THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS LAY ADEQUATE GROUND WORK.

MACMILLAN AND FOREIGN SECRETARY SELWYN LLOYD ARE SAID TO BE CONVINCED THAT A SUMMIT MEETING MUST BE HELD IN AN ATTEMPT TO AVOID SHOOTING OVER SOVIET DEMANDS THAT THE WESTERN POWERS END THEIR MILITARY OCCUPATION OF WEST BERLIN.

MACMILLAN AND LLOYD HELD CLOSED MEETINGS WITH PRIME MINISTER JOHN DIEFENBAKER AND HIS ENTIRE CABINET.

MACMILLAN GAVE THEM A FILL-IN ON HIS EXCHANGES WITH KHRUSHCHEV IN MOSCOW, AND LATER WITH PRESIDENT CHARLES DE GAULLE OF FRANCE AND CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER OF WEST GERMANY.

DIEFENBAKER SAID MACMILLAN IS ALWAYS WELCOME IN CANADA, BUT "PARTICULARLY AT THIS TIME IN VIEW OF THE TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION HE HAS MADE TO THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE" THROUGH HIS JOURNEYS TO MOSCOW, PARIS AND BONN.

THE ARRIVAL WAS TINGED WITH SADNESS OVER THE UNEXPECTED DEATH YESTERDAY OF CANADIAN FOREIGN SECRETARY SIDNEY E. SMITH.

MACMILLAN SAID SMITH WAS "WIDELY KNOWN AND RESPECTED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD," AND THAT HIS ARDUOUS WORK HAD "HASTENED HIS DEATH."

FOLLOWING THE DAY'S INFORMAL TALKS BETWEEN THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN LEADERS, INFORMANTS SAID THEY HAD AGREED ON BROAD OUTLINES OF A PLAN FOR LESSENING EAST-WEST TENSIONS IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

"THEY CAME TO A MEETING OF MINDS," ONE SOURCE SAID. THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL DISCLOSURE OF THE CONTENT OF THEIR TALKS, BUT IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE GENERAL PLAN RELATING TO CENTRAL EUROPE WOULD INVOLVE A FREEZING OF FORCES IN AN AGREED AREA OF THE CONTINENT.

CANADIAN SOURCES SAID, HOWEVER, THE SUGGESTION OF BROAD AGREEMENT DOES NOT IMPLY A PLEDGE OF SUPPORT BY CANADA TO WHAT ESSENTIALLY IS A BRITISH PLAN.

AFTER HIS ROUND OF CONFERENCES, MACMILLAN DINED TONIGHT WITH GOV. GEN. VINCENT MASSEY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

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(420) NIGHT LEAD IKE-MACMILLAN

BY JOHN SCALI

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-PRESIDENT EISENHOWER WAS REPORTED TONIGHT TO BE ADVOCATING A TOUGH NEGOTIATING ATTITUDE TOWARD RUSSIA AS THE BEST WAY TO SOLVE THE BERLIN CRISIS WHILE PROMOTING GERMAN UNITY.

THIS WORD ON THE WHITE HOUSE ATTITUDE CIRCULATED AS EISENHOWER PREPARED FOR THE ARRIVAL TOMORROW OF BRITISH PRIME MINISTER HAROLD MACMILLAN. THEY'LL HAVE A FOUR-DAY ROUND OF TALKS AIMED AT COORDINATING WESTERN STRATEGY.

TOP ADMINISTRATION OFFICIALS WERE CHEERED BY MACMILLAN'S COMPONENTS IN OTTAWA ABOUT A NEED "TO COMBINE FIRM PRINCIPLES WITH READINESS TO NEGOTIATE."

THIS MACMILLAN VIEW COINCIDED WITH EISENHOWER'S EXPRESSED DETERMINATION TO STAND FIRM IN WESTERN BERLIN UNTIL THE SOVIETS OFFER MAJOR CONCESSIONS TOWARD THE GOAL OF GERMAN UNITY.

DESPITE MACMILLAN'S WORDS, SOME SUSPICION PERSISTED THAT THE BRITISH LEADER MIGHT TRY TO PRESS EISENHOWER TOO HARD AND TOO FAST. IN THE ADMINISTRATION OPINION, ALONG A PATH OF MEETING SOVIET VIEWS.

MACMILLAN WAS VIEWED AS PUTTING MORE EMPHASIS ON THE VALUE OF SUMMIT TALKS WITH RUSSIA'S PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV THAN EISENHOWER THINKS DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT.

EISENHOWER EXPRESSED READINESS TO ATTEND SUCH A TOP LEVEL PARLEY THIS SUMMER -- PROVIDED DEVELOPMENTS JUSTIFIED A PROMISE OF SUCCESS.

IN ADVANCE OF MACMILLAN'S ARRIVAL, OFFICIALS STRESSED THAT EISENHOWER WANTED SOME ADVANCE SIGNS OF SOVIET READINESS TO MAKE CONCESSIONS --NOT A CRISIS CONFERENCE FULL OF PROPAGANDA CHARGES.

MACMILLAN, HOWEVER, WAS UNDERSTOOD TO FAVOR A SUMMIT MEETING EVEN IF FOREIGN MINISTERS FAILED TO EASE EAST-WEST DIFFERENCES IN ADVANCE. A MEETING UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES MIGHT BE THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID A SHOOTING WAR OVER BERLIN, BRITISH INFORMANTS SAID.

A BRITISH-AMERICAN SPLIT APPEARED ~~WIDELY~~ ^{EVIDENT} OVER HOW HARD TO PRESS FOR SOVIET MOVES TOWARD GERMAN UNITY. U.S. OFFICIALS FELT MACMILLAN WAS MORE LIKELY TO CONSIDER STOPGAP ARRANGEMENTS EASING TENSIONS IN GERMANY ~~WHICH WOULD CONFIRM~~ THE EAST-WEST SPLIT RATHER THAN PROMOTE THE ALLIED OBJECTIVE OF UNITY.

IN THIS CONNECTION, ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITIES WERE REPORTED DISTINCTLY COOL TO A REPORTED BRITISH SUGGESTION FOR AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA ON A NEW INTERNATIONAL STATUS FOR WEST BERLIN.

THE AMERICAN ATTITUDE WAS THAT THE WESTERN BIG THREE SHOULD UPHOLD THEIR WARTIME RIGHT TO MAINTAIN THEIR TROOPS IN THE WESTERN SECTOR UNTIL RUSSIA LIVES UP TO ITS PLEDGES TO SIGN AN ACCEPTABLE PEACE TREATY.

TO FURTHER THE UNITY OBJECTIVE, THE STATE DEPARTMENT WAS REPORTED CIRCULATING A SUGGESTED DRAFT OF A PEACE TREATY FOR A UNITED, DEMOCRATIC GERMANY.

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BY JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES HAS PREPARED A TENTATIVE DRAFT OF A GERMAN PEACE TREATY FOR POSSIBLE USE IN A FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING WITH RUSSIA.

BY CONTRAST WITH RUSSIA'S PEACE TREATY PROPOSAL OF SEVERAL WEEKS AGO, THE U. S. PROVISIONS WOULD LEAVE THE WAY OPEN FOR A SOVEREIGN ALL-GERMAN GOVERNMENT TO FORGE WHATEVER LINKS IT WISHED WITH NEIGHBORING NATIONS AND OTHER COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

THE U. S. DOCUMENT--SOME OFFICIALS SAY IT IS MORE A STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES THAN A TENTATIVE TREATY DRAFT--HAS BEEN PROPOSED TO BRITAIN, FRANCE AND WEST GERMANY FOR DISCUSSION.

THE WESTERN EUROPEAN ALLIES WERE REPORTED TODAY TO BE COOL TO THE IDEA OF CARRYING FORWARD PLANS FOR A GERMAN PEACE TREATY AT THIS TIME. THEY APPARENTLY FEEL THAT UNDER WESTERN CONDITIONS FOR ACTUALLY NEGOTIATING AND SIGNING SUCH A PACT, THE MORE URGENT PROBLEMS ARE THOSE INVOLVED IN REUNIFYING GERMANY. THE UNITED STATES, OFFICIALS HERE SAID, IS NOT PRESSING THE ISSUE.

BUT U. S. OFFICIALS EMPHASIZE THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT OBVIOUSLY INTENDS TO RAISE THE QUESTION OF A PEACE TREATY AT A FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, AND THEY WANT THE WESTERN POWERS TO BE READY TO MEET IT IN SOME WAY. IT IS FELT HERE THAT WHEN THE OCCASION ARISES THE ALLIES SHOULD BE READY TO TELL THE RUSSIANS AND THE WORLD THE KIND OF PEACE WHICH THEY WOULD MAKE WITH AN ALL-GERMAN GOVERNMENT AND TO INVITE THE SOVIETS TO NEGOTIATE ON THAT BASIS.

PRESENT WESTERN PLANNING IS BASED ON THE IDEA THAT THE ESSENTIAL FIRST STEP IN SOLVING THE PROBLEMS OF GERMANY IS SOME MOVE TOWARD REUNITING THE DIVIDED COUNTRY AND CREATING AN ALL-GERMAN GOVERNMENT. TO THIS END WESTERN POLICY PLANNERS NOW MEETING IN PARIS ARE TALKING ABOUT PROPOSING TO THE RUSSIANS THE CREATION OF A FEDERATION TO BRING

EAST AND WEST GERMANY UNDER A SINGLE POLITICAL ROOF.
 OVER A PERIOD OF SEVERAL YEARS THE POWERS OF THE CENTRAL FEDERAL
 GOVERNMENT WOULD GRADUALLY BE INCREASED AND THE POWERS OF THE PRESENT
 EAST AND WEST GERMAN REGIMES WOULD CORRESPONDINGLY DECREASE.
 ONE POSSIBLE WAY TO SET UP A CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION, NOW BEING
 CONSIDERED, WOULD BE TO BASE IT ON THE GERMAN PROVINCES OR STATES,
 CALLED LAENDER. THERE ARE 10 OF THESE IN WEST GERMANY AND TRADITIONALLY
 FIVE IN EAST GERMANY, WHERE THEY ARE NO LONGER RECOGNIZED.

U. S. OFFICIALS SAID THE WESTERN POWERS ARE NOT INTERESTED IN
 RUSSIA'S APPROACH TO A GERMAN CONFEDERATION WHICH WOULD GIVE EQUAL
 AUTHORITY TO THE EAST GERMAN ADMINISTRATION WITH ITS 17 MILLION PEOPLE
 AND THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT WITH ITS 33 MILLION. HENCE WESTERN
 DIPLOMATS ARE THINKING IN TERMS OF SOME SYSTEM WHICH WOULD RECOGNIZE
 THE BIG DIFFERENCE IN POPULATION BETWEEN THE TWO SECTIONS.
 THE HIGHLY TENTATIVE U. S. DRAFT IS UNDERSTOOD TO BE BASED ON THE
 PRINCIPLE THAT WHEN A PEACE TREATY FINALLY IS SIGNED, GERMANY SHOULD BE
 GIVEN FULL CONTROL OVER ITS OWN AFFAIRS AND SHOULD BE FREE TO CHOOSE
 ITS OWN COURSE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

U. S. AND OTHER WESTERN LEADERS BELIEVE THAT AN ALL-GERMAN GOVERNMENT
 WHICH ACCURATELY REFLECTED THE WISHES OF THE MAJORITY OF THE GERMAN
 PEOPLE WOULD CHOOSE TO MAINTAIN VERY CLOSE TIES WITH THE WESTERN
 NATIONS AND TO EXERCISE THE RIGHT OF GERMAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTH
 ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION.

THE RUSSIANS HAVE LONG PROTESTED NATO MEMBERSHIP FOR WEST GERMANY
 AND WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY OBJECT TO IT IN THE CASE OF A REUNITED GERMANY.
 RUSSIA'S OWN TREATY DRAFT EARLIER THIS YEAR WOULD COMPEL WEST GERMANY
 TO SEVER PRACTICALLY ALL ITS TIES WITH THE WEST.
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WITH WASHINGTON
 BERLIN, MARCH 18 (AP)-MAYOR FRIEDRICH EBART OF COMMUNIST EAST
 BERLIN DECLARED TODAY THAT IF A NUCLEAR WAR DEVELOPS IT WOULD DESTROY
 THE LARGE CITIES OF AMERICA AS WELL AS BERLIN.
 EBART MADE THE STATEMENT IN COMMENTING ON PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S
 SPEECH MONDAY NIGHT CALLING FOR A FIRM STAND ON THE BERLIN CRISIS.
 HE ACCUSED EISENHOWER AND WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER
 OF ISSUING "THREATS OF WAR."
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BONN, GERMANY, MARCH 18 (AP)-TWO WEST GERMAN SOCIALIST LEADERS
 JUST BACK FROM MOSCOW SAID TODAY THEY ARE CONVINCED PREMIER NIKITA
 KHRUSHCHEV IS READY TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT WITHIN THE WEST.

FRIITZ ERLER, A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE OPPOSITION PARTY, SAID HE
 WAS "ABSOLUTELY CONVINCED A PERIOD OF SERIOUS INTERNATIONAL
 NEGOTIATIONS IS COMING UP."

CARLO SCHMID, ALSO A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE
 THEIR TALKS WITH KHRUSHCHEV AND OTHER SOVIET LEADERS HAD SHOWN THE
 RUSSIANS DO NOT WANT MERELY TO NEGOTIATE OVER GENERALITIES SUCH AS
 "WORLD PEACE" BUT WANTED TO GET DOWN TO CONCRETE CASES.

THE SOVIET PREMIER INSISTED REPEATEDLY THAT THERE MUST BE A PEACE
 TREATY WITH GERMANY--IF NOT WITH ALL GERMANY THEN WITH THE TWO
 GERMAN STATES, BUT IF THE WEST WOULD NOT AGREE THEN WITH EAST GERMANY
 ALONE, SCHMID REPORTED.

HE QUOTED KHRUSHCHEV AS SAYING THAT UNTIL THERE WAS A PEACE TREATY
 NO STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST BERLIN. BUT AFTER A PEACE PACT HAD
 BEEN SIGNED BERLIN'S POSITION WOULD BE CLEAR AND THERE WOULD BE
 NO QUESTION OF ANYONE FIGHTING HIS WAY THROUGH--"IT WILL NOT BE
 POSSIBLE TO PUSH US AWAY."

SCHMID SAID KHRUSHCHEV LAID DOWN THESE CONDITIONS:

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1. THE WEST GERMAN FEDERAL REPUBLIC WOULD HAVE NO FURTHER CLAIM
 TO BERLIN.

2. THE OCCUPATION FORCES--U.S., BRITISH, FRENCH AND SOVIET--
 WOULD HAVE NO FURTHER POWERS THERE.

3. THE ROUTES TO BERLIN WOULD REMAIN FREE.

SCHMID SAID KHRUSHCHEV HAD NO OBJECTION TO WEST GERMANY
 REMAINING IN NATO AFTER SIGNING A PEACE TREATY.

"WE WILL ACCEPT ANYTHING AND EVERYTHING THE WEST GERMAN AND
 EAST GERMAN AGREE UPON REGARDLESS OF THEIR GOVERNMENTAL SYSTEMS.
 BUT WE WILL TOLERATE NO INTERFERENCE FROM OUTSIDE," THE SOVIET PREMIER
 TOLD THE SOCIALISTS.

"ANY INTERFERENCE BY THE WEST IN EAST GERMANY WOULD IMMEDIATELY
 CAUSE THE WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES TO RUSH TO THE AID OF THE EAST
 GERMAN. IF ANYONE WANTS TO FORCE US TO FIGHT WE WILL HIT BACK
 AND NOT WITH PISTOLS BECAUSE WE HAVE OTHER THINGS."
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WITH OTTAWA MACMILLAN (250)
 LONDON, MARCH 18 (AP)-MIKAIL SUSLOV, A TOP KREMLIN LEADER, TOLD
 BRITISH LABOR PARTY LEADERS TONIGHT MOSCOW HAS PRESENTED NO ULTIMATUM
 OVER BERLIN AND WANTS TO SETTLE THE ISSUE IN EAST-WEST CONFERENCES.

SUSLOV ADDRESSED LABOR MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT AT A MEETING IN A
 PRIVATE ROOM OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. HIS REMARKS WERE
 REPORTED LATER BY PEOPLE WHO ATTENDED.

SUSLOV, SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE SOVIET
 COMMUNIST PARTY, WAS QUOTED AS SAYING:

"THE SOLE OBJECT OF SOVIET POLICY ON BERLIN IS TO DEAL WITH
 A DANGER SPOT. I WAS VERY MUCH SURPRISED WHEN THE WESTERN POWERS
 SUGGESTED THIS WAS A SORT OF ULTIMATUM OR 'DIKTAT' BY THE SOVIET
 UNION.

"IN FACT, SOME POWERS ARE THREATENING THE USE OF VIOLENCE TO
 PREVENT THE HANDING OVER OF SOVIET RIGHTS TO EAST GERMANY.

"THERE ARE TWO GERMAN STATES AND THEREFORE THERE MUST BE
 EITHER A PEACE TREATY WITH THE TWO GERMANY'S OR WITH A CONFEDERAL
 GERMANY OR, ALTERNATIVELY, WE WOULD MAKE A PEACE TREATY WITH EAST
 GERMANY IF OTHER METHODS DID NOT SUCCEED."

SUSLOV ASSERTED RUSSIA HAS NO DESIRE TO CHANGE THE SOCIAL STATUS
 OF WEST BERLINERS OR TO IMPOSE ON THEM A SOCIAL SYSTEM THEY DO NOT
 WANT.

THEN HE REFERRED TO SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV'S PROPOSAL FOR
 STATIONING U.N. OR ALLIED AND SOVIET FORCES IN WEST BERLIN TO
 PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO.

"TO SETTLE THESE DIFFERENCES," SUSLOV SAID, "RUSSIA IS PREPARED
 TO AGREE TO A FOREIGN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE AND SUBSEQUENTLY TO
 SUMMIT TALKS TO DISPOSE OF SUCH MATTERS BY NEGOTIATION, PEACEFULLY."

SUSLOV'S SPEECH WAS APPLAUDED WARMLY BY THE LABORITES. HE HEADS A
 FIVE-MAN SOVIET DELEGATION VISITING BRITAIN AT THE INVITATION OF A
 GROUP OF LABORITE LEGISLATORS.

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LONDON, MARCH 18 (AP)-A VISITING RUSSIAN TRADE EXPERT CALLED TODAY
 FOR A BOOST IN TRADE BETWEEN BRITAIN AND THE SOVIET UNION.

S.A. SKACHKOV, CHAIRMAN OF THE SOVIET STATE COMMITTEE FOR
 ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES, SAID RUSSIA MIGHT EVEN
 ADJUST ITS SEVEN-YEAR PLAN SO IT COULD TRADE MORE WITH BRITAIN--IF
 THE BRITISH LIKED THE IDEA.

SKACHKOV SPOKE AT A MEETING OF THE BRITISH COUNCIL FOR THE PROMOTION OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.
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PARIS, MARCH 18 (AP)-PRESIDENT DE GAULLE SAID TODAY HIS DECISION THAT FRANCE WOULD KEEP ITS MEDITERRANEAN FLEET OUTSIDE NATO'S CONTROL IN CASE OF WAR WAS AROUND UP IN WORLD STRATEGY.

HE GAVE HIS CABINET AN EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION, DISCLOSED LAST FRIDAY, THAT STIRRED BITTER COMMENT FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF FRANCE'S ALLIES WITHIN THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION.

DE GAULLE WAS QUOTED BY INFORMATION MINISTER ROGER FREY AS SAYING THAT, SINCE NATO OPERATIONS ARE LIMITED PRIMARILY TO EUROPE, IT IS EVIDENT THAT IN TIME OF WAR IT WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR FRANCE TO HANG ONTO A CERTAIN FREEDOM OF MANEUVER FOR ITS MILITARY FORCES, AND ESPECIALLY THE FLEET, SINCE IT HAS MISSIONS TO ASSUME OUTSIDE NATO.

THIS WAS AN OBVIOUS REFERENCE TO FRENCH OVERSEAS POSSESSIONS, PARTICULARLY ALGERIA.

FREY SAID THE CABINET HAD A LONG DISCUSSION ON WORLD STRATEGY WHICH PRIMARILY INTERESTS FRANCE, BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF THEIR FAR-FLUNG RESPONSIBILITIES.

ALLIED OFFICIALS HAVE VIEWED DE GAULLE'S DECISION AS ONE MORE MOVE IN HIS CAMPAIGN TO GET A BIGGER VOICE WITHIN NATO. THEY SAID THEY WERE APPALLED AT THE TIMING OF THE MOVE, WHILE THE WEST IS FACING SOVIET PRESSURES OVER GERMANY.

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GENEVA, MARCH 21 (AP)-THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN SAID TONIGHT THEY HAVE PROPOSED A THREE-WEEK RECESS IN THE NUCLEAR TEST BAN TALKS HERE.

WESTERN SOURCES SAID THE ADJOURNMENT WAS SUGGESTED MAINLY TO PERMIT NEW PROPOSALS FOR BRINGING THE TALKS OUT OF THEIR DEADLOCK TO BE FULLY AGREED BETWEEN THE TWO WESTERN POWERS.

RUSSIA IS EXPECTED TO REPLY IN A DAY OR TWO.
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BONN, GERMANY, (AP)-THE WEST GERMANS TODAY SIGNED A CONTRACT THAT WILL PROVIDE THEIR NEW AIR FORCE WITH NEARLY 300 JET FIGHTERS. THE DEAL WAS CLOSED WITH LOCKHEED AND GENERAL ELECTRIC, BOTH U.S. FIRMS. THE TOTAL COST IS EXPECTED TO RUN ABOUT 357 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE PLANE INVOLVED IS THE F104 STARFIGHTER, A SUPERSONIC CRAFT SAID TO BE USABLE IN ALL WEATHER AND CAPABLE OF MAKING FAST GETAWAYS FROM THE GROUND.

THE DEFENSE MINISTRY SAID THE PLANE IS EXPECTED TO SERVE MULTIPLE PURPOSES, INCLUDING THAT OF A FIGHTER, A FIGHTER-BOMBER AND A RECONNAISSANCE CRAFT.

THE CONTRACT COVERS 30 TRAINERS COSTING A MILLION DOLLARS EACH, TO BE DELIVERED THIS YEAR, AND 66 COSTING \$1,200,000 EACH EQUIPPED WITH THE MOST MODERN ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND TO BE DELIVERED LATER. ADDITIONALLY WEST GERMAN MANUFACTURERS WILL BUILD 200 MORE PLANES UNDER LICENSE WITH LOCKHEED AND GENERAL ELECTRIC.

THE FIRST FIGHTING UNIT OF STARFIGHTERS IS LIKELY TO BE READY IN 1962, ACCORDING TO ESTIMATES GIVEN DEFENSE MINISTER FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS.

THE SIGNING CLIMAXED MORE THAN A YEAR OF HARD NEGOTIATIONS WITH PLANEMAKERS FROM HALF A DOZEN COUNTRIES.

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BONN, GERMANY, MARCH 18 (AP)-AFTER 3 1/2 YEARS OF NEGOTIATION WEST GERMANY AND SIX NATO ALLIES HAVE AGREED ON CONDITIONS FOR STATIONING NATO TROOPS IN GERMANY.

THE MASSIVE DOCUMENT LAYS DOWN EVERYTHING FROM AN ALLIED SOLDIER'S IMMUNITY TO GERMAN DOG TAX TO THE RIGHTS OF WHOLE DIVISIONS TO MANEUVER ON GERMAN TERRITORY, A FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN SAID. THE AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, FRANCE, BELGIUM, CANADA AND THE NETHERLANDS REPLACES THE TEMPORARY AGREEMENT ATTACHED TO THE 1955 PARIS TREATY ENDING THE OCCUPATION OF WEST GERMANY. IT NOW MUST BE APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED.

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VIENNA, MARCH 18 (AP)-THE NEWSPAPER DIE PRESSE HAS PUBLISHED A REPORT OF AN ACCIDENT IN A SOVIET ATOMIC REACTOR STATION IN THE CENTRAL URAL MOUNTAINS IN THE FALL OF 1958.

THE PAPER YESTERDAY QUOTED AN ACCOUNT ALLEGEDLY GIVEN BY AN UNNAMED SCIENTIST. IT SAID HE HAD RETURNED FROM THE SOVIET UNION TO AN EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRY.

HE WAS SAID TO HAVE REPORTED THAT THE FILTER SYSTEM OF A REACTOR STATION FAILED AND AN AREA OF NEARLY 5,000 SQUARE MILES WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CONTAMINATED. DIE PRESSE QUOTED HIM AS SAYING 172 CASES OF SERIOUS RADIATION BURNS AND 20 CASES OF BLINDNESS RESULTED.

THE STORY SAID 12 VILLAGES AND A NUMBER OF COMMUNAL FARMS WERE EVACUATED WHEN WINDS BEGAN TO CARRY RADIOACTIVE PARTICLES TOWARD THE TOWN OF SVERDLOVSK. IT CLAIMED THAT WAS THE REASON FOR A GENERAL ORDER BARRING FOREIGNERS FROM THE REGION AT THAT TIME.

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VIENNA, MARCH 18 (AP)-AN EX-GESTAPO OFFICIAL, JOSEF GABRIEL, WAS SENTENCED TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT TODAY--THE MAXIMUM PENALTY IN THIS COUNTRY--FOR THE SLAYING OF THOUSANDS OF POLISH JEWS IN 1942.

AFTER A WEEK-LONG TRIAL A JURY FOUND THE 52-YEAR-OLD WARTIME GESTAPO BOSS OF THE POLISH TOWN OF BROYSLAW IN GALICIA RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EXTERMINATION OF NEARLY THE ENTIRE JEWISH POPULATION THERE. OF 15,000 JEWISH RESIDENTS ONLY 400 ARE KNOWN TO HAVE SURVIVED.

HE WAS CHARGED WITH HAVING PERSONALLY SHOT HUNDREDS OF JEWISH CHILDREN LINED UP IN THE GESTAPO PRISON.

DURING MOST OF HIS TRIAL, GABRIEL WAS SILENT. WHEN CALLED TO THE STAND HE CLAIMED HE ACTED ON HIGHER ORDERS.

HOWEVER, WHEN A WITNESS RECALLED IN COURT THAT THE EARTH OVER A MASS GRAVE STILL MOVED A DAY AFTER AN EXECUTION, GABRIEL JUMPED UP. "THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE," HE DECLARED. "WE SHOVELED MORE THAN A YARD OF EARTH OVER THE GRAVES. NO ONE COULD HAVE MOVED THAT MUCH."

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BELGRADE, MARCH 18 (AP)-YUGOSLAVIA AND COMMUNIST CHINA TODAY SIGNED A NEW TRADE PACT WORTH ONLY 40 PER CENT AS MUCH AS THEIR 1958 AGREEMENT.

THE SHARP REDUCTION IN TRADE BETWEEN THE TWO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES WAS INTERPRETED HERE AS A PEIPING MOVE TO PUT ECONOMIC PRESSURE ON PRESIDENT TITO FOR FOLLOWING A LINE INDEPENDENT OF THE SOVIET-LED BLOC.

AFTER THREE MONTHS OF NEGOTIATIONS, YUGOSLAVIA AND RED CHINA AGREED TO SWAP GOODS WORTH 7 MILLION DOLLARS. LAST YEAR THE TOTAL WAS \$19,600,000.

THE YUGOSLAV NEWS AGENCY TANJUG SAID THAT UNDER THE PACT, SIGNED IN PEIPING, CHINA WILL DELIVER MAINLY SOYBEANS, MINERALS, OILS AND SILK FOR YUGOSLAV SHEET ALUMINUM, STEEL PIPES, CABLES AND CHEMICALS.
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WARSAW, MARCH 18 (AP)-POLISH FOREIGN MINISTER ADAM RAPACKI TODAY CLAIMED "THE BALANCE OF POWER IN THE WORLD IS CHANGING IN FAVOR OF SOCIALISM."

"TO ARRIVE AT AN ABSOLUTE SUPERIORITY OVER CAPITALISM INSOFAR AS GLOBAL PRODUCTION IS CONCERNED, HAS BECOME THE MOST IMMEDIATE TASK OF THE SOCIALIST (COMMUNIST)-CAMP," HE TOLD THE THIRD CONGRESS OF THE POLISH COMMUNIST PARTY.

RAPACKI URGED A SUMMIT CONFERENCE FOR FINDING A SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF BERLIN AND GERMANY. BUT HE COMBINED IT WITH A BITTER ATTACK ON WEST GERMAN CHANCELLOR KONRAD ADENAUER.

"ADENAUER'S ENTIRE PROGRAM," HE SAID, "IS BUILT ON COLD WAR AND AIMED AT ACHIEVING A FREE HAND, AN ADVANTAGEOUS POSITION, AND, FINALLY, HEGEMONY IN WESTERN EUROPE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBSEQUENTLY PULLING THE WESTERN WORLD IN A GREAT GAMBLE FOR A NEW GREAT GERMANY."

RAPACKI SAID THE NUMBER ONE PLANK IN POLAND'S FOREIGN POLICY PLATFORM IS ALLIANCE AND FRIENDSHIP WITH THE SOVIET UNION.

PREMIER JOSEF CYRANKIEWICZ ALSO MADE BARBED REFERENCES TO ADENAUER.

HE TOLD THE CONGRESS THE ONLY WAY POLAND WOULD RECEIVE THE LEADER WAS "IF HE TOOK OFF THE ROBES OF A MASTER OF THE TEUTON ORDER, PUT ON SACKCLOTH AND ASHES AND CAME HERE TO BEG FORGIVENESS FOR THE CRIMES OF GERMAN MILITARISM--AND VN THAT CASE HE WOULD HAVE TO GET AN EAST GERMAN TRANSIT VISA."

THE PREMIER ALSO HAD SOME WORDS ABOUT ARAB NATIONALISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST. WITHOUT NAMING PRESIDENT NASSER OR ANY OTHERS, HE SAID "SOME OVER-CONCEITED ARAB LEADERS TEND TO CONFIRM THE OLD PROVERB THAT THE BULL OFTEN FORGETS HE WAS ONCE A CALF."

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MOSCOW, MARCH 18 (AP)-PRAVDA TODAY ACCUSED THE LEADERS AND PRESS OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC OF MAKING "UNFRIENDLY AND UNOBJECTIVE ATTACKS" ON IRAQ AND ITS GOVERNMENT.

IN A FRONT PAGE EDITORIAL THE COMMUNIST PARTY PAPER ECHOED PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV'S COMMENTS MARCH 16 SIDING WITH IRAQI PREMIER ABDEL KARIM KASSEM IN HIS GROWING FEUD WITH U.A.R. PRESIDENT NASSER.

PRAVDA SAID THE U.A.R. ATTACKS ON KASSEM WERE "PROFITABLE ONLY TO IMPERIALIST CIRCLES STILL DREAMING OF SUBVERTING THE UNANIMITY OF THE ARAB STATES AND RETURNING TO THEIR OLD POSITIONS IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

THE PAPER DECLARED THAT THE IRAQI PEOPLE COULD "COUNT UPON THEIR TRUE DISINTERESTED FRIENDS FOR HELP."

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IN DAMASCUS, THE U.A.R.'S SEMI-OFFICIAL MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY SAID KHRUSHCHEV HAD OPENED A SHOWDOWN BATTLE BETWEEN ARAB NATIONALISM AND THE "NEW COMMUNIST IMPERIALISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

THE AGENCY SAID THE SOVIET PREMIER'S ATTACK ON NASSER GAVE CLEARCUT PROOF THE ARAB COMMUNIST PARTIES RECEIVE INSTRUCTION FROM MOSCOW.

"IT ALSO PROVES THAT KHRUSHCHEV IS OPENLY INTERFERING IN ARAB AFFAIRS TO BRING THE ENTIRE ARAB REGION UNDER COMMUNIST CONTROL, USING IRAQ AS

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A SPEARHEAD," THE AGENCY ADDED.

THE IRAQI PRESS AND RADIO KEPT UP A DRUMFIRE OF DENUNCIATIONS AGAINST NASSER, WHOM IT ACCUSES OF MASTERMINDING THE UNSUCCESSFUL REVOLT IN NORTH IRAQ A WEEK AGO BY ARMY OFFICERS SEEKING TO SWING KASSEM'S GOVERNMENT AWAY FROM ITS PRO-COMMUNIST DRIFT AND TOWARD NASSER'S PAN-ARAB UNITY.

IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER NASHIM JAWAD SAID, HOWEVER, THAT NEITHER HE NOR KASSEM WOULD REPLY TO NASSER'S ATTACKS BECAUSE THEY DO NOT WANT TO EMBITTER ARAB RELATIONS FURTHER. BUT HE ADDED THAT "WE HAVE CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE THAT THE U.A.R. HAD A DIRECT PART IN ENVISAGING CONCEIVING AND EXECUTING THE REVOLT."

THE MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY REPORTED THAT AN IRAQI ARMY OFFICER AND SEVEN SOLDIERS ESCAPED INTO SYRIA YESTERDAY AFTER A GUN BATTLE WITH "COMMUNIST TERRORISTS" IN WHICH ONE OF THE FLEEING MEN WAS WOUNDED. MANY IRAQIS HAVE BEEN REPORTED FLEEING INTO SYRIA SINCE THE REVOLT WAS CRUSHED.

THE AGENCY ALSO REPORTED THAT A NUMBER OF U.A.R. WORKERS ARRIVED FROM BAGHDAD YESTERDAY. IT QUOTED THEM AS SAYING THEY HAD TO LEAVE "BECAUSE OF COMMUNIST TERROR IN THE COUNTRY."

FROM KHARTOUM, THE SUDAN GOVERNMENT INSTRUCTED ITS AMBASSADORS IN CAIRO AND BAGHDAD TO CONFER WITH THE LEADERS OF THE U.A.R. AND IRAQ IN AN EFFORT TO MEDIATE THE INTER-ARAB CONFLICT. PRELIMINARY TALKS WERE STARTED IN KHARTOUM BETWEEN THE SUDANESE FOREIGN MINISTER AND THE AMBASSADORS OF IRAQ AND THE U.A.R.

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DAMASCUS, SYRIA, MARCH 18 (AP)-UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC SOURCES SAID TODAY PRESIDENT NASSER AND LEBANON'S PRESIDENT FUAD CHEHAB HAVE AGREED TO MEET.

THE PLACE AND DATE WERE NOT DISCLOSED.

THE U.A.R. MIDDLE EAST NEWS AGENCY SAID ONLY THAT BOTH PRESIDENTS HAVE AGREED TO MEET.

LEBANON'S PREMIER RASCHID KARAMI TOLD A BEIRUT NEWS CONFERENCE THE MEETING HAD BEEN DECIDED UPON BUT THE DATE AND PLACE IS STILL UNDER CONSIDERATION.

THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL INFORMATION AVAILABLE HERE AS TO THE QUESTIONS THE PRESIDENTS WOULD TACKLE TOGETHER. BUT OBSERVERS ARE FAIRLY SURE THEY WILL MAINLY REVIEW ISSUES OF INTEREST TO BOTH COUNTRIES IN PARTICULAR AND PAN-ARAB QUESTIONS IN GENERAL.

MANY HOLD THE BELIEF THAT A NASSER-CHEHAB MEETING MIGHT POSSIBLY RALLY LEBANON WITH THE NASSER-LED OFFENSIVE AGAINST COMMUNISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

LEBANON STILL HAS NOT ANNOUNCED ITS OFFICIAL STAND IN THE CURRENT U.A.R. FEUD WITH IRAQ AND ARAB COMMUNISTS, BUT CHEHAB IS A WELL KNOWN FOE OF COMMUNISM.

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NASSER PRESENTLY IS ENGAGED IN A BATTLE OF WORDS OVER IRAQ'S TURBULENT INTERNAL SITUATION, THE INCREASING IRAQI TIES WITH MOSCOW AND WHAT HE CALLS AN IRAQI THREAT TO ARAB NATIONALISM. LEBANON'S PRESIDENT CHEHAB IS CONCERNED WITH POLITICAL REHABILITATION OF HIS COUNTRY BY A MODERATE APPROACH FOLLOWING THE UPHEAVALS OF LAST SUMMER THAT SENT U.S. MARINES INTO LEBANON BY INVITATION OF THE THEN PRESIDENT CAMILLE CHAMOUN. NASSERISM WAS A FACTOR IN LEBANON'S UPHEAVAL.

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WITH DAMASCUS NASSER-CHEHAB (250)
BY STAN CARTER
BAGHDAD, IRAQ, MARCH 18 (AP)--A HUGE CROWD AT BAGHDAD AIRPORT ROARED A WELCOME TODAY FOR AN IRAQI DELEGATION BRINGING HOME AN AGREEMENT FOR A SOVIET LOAN OF 550 MILLION RUBLES. THE LOAN WAS ALSO HAILED IN THE BAGHDAD PRESS.

THE AGREEMENT--WORTH \$137,500,000 AT THE OFFICIAL RATE OF EXCHANGE-- WAS SIGNED IN MOSCOW MONDAY.

A CROWD WAVING SIGNS EXPRESSING IRAQI-SOVIET FRIENDSHIP SWARMED OVER THE AIRPORT AND INCIDENTALLY PREVENTED THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO IRAQ FROM PUSHING HIS WAY THROUGH TO GREET THE DELEGATION.

ALL NEWSPAPERS IN THE IRAQI CAPITAL PRAISED SOVIET PREMIER KHRUSHCHEV FOR EXTENDING THE LOAN WITH -- AS THEY PUT IT--NO STRINGS ATTACHED AND FOR DEFENDING THE IRAQ REGIME AGAINST WORD BARRAGES FROM UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC PRESIDENT NASSER.

AT A KREMLIN RECEPTION FOR THE IRAQIS KHRUSHCHEV ACCUSED NASSER OF TRYING TO STIR UP TROUBLE IN IRAQ AND EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR IRAQI PREMIER ABDEL KARIM KASSEM.

NASSER HAS SHARPLY ATTACKED KASSEM ACCUSING HIM OF HOSTILITY TOWARD THE U.A.R. AND OF SUPPORTING COMMUNISTS. THE U.A.R. PRESIDENT ALSO LASHED OUT AT THE REDS, SAYING THEY WERE TRYING TO MEDDLE IN ARAB AFFAIRS.

IRAQI FOREIGN MINISTER HASHIM JAWAD TOLD A REPORTER THAT THE SOVIET LOAN, THE ARRIVAL OF A RED CHINESE CULTURAL DELEGATION IN BAGHDAD YESTERDAY, AND OTHER NEW TIES WITH THE SOVIET BLOC ARE ATTEMPTS TO WIDEN IRAQ'S CIRCLE OF FRIENDS AND INCREASE TRADE.

THIS, HE SAID, FOLLOWED THE POLICY OF EAST-WEST NEUTRALITY ADOPTED AFTER THE REVOLUTION LAST JULY WHICH DESTROYED IRAQ'S PRO-WESTERN MONARCHY.

JAWAD ADDED, HOWEVER, THAT IRAQ WANTS TO KEEP OLD FRIENDSHIPS AND ECONOMIC TIES WITH THE WEST.

BUT THE PRESS, INCREASINGLY LEFTIST SINCE LAST WEEK'S SACKING OF PRO-NASSER NEWSPAPERS, WAS MORE OUTSPOKENLY PRO-SOVIET.

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TOKYO, MARCH 18 (AP)--TOKYO NEWSPAPERS TODAY REPORTED THAT JAPAN HAS STARTED PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS TO RESTORE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY, ROMANIA AND BULGARIA.

THE NEWSPAPER ASAHI SAID THE INITIAL TALKS WERE BEING CARRIED ON BY THE JAPANESE AMBASSADOR TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA, WHO REPORTEDLY ARRIVED IN BUDAPEST SUNDAY. ASAHI SAID AFTER BUDAPEST HE WOULD VISIT ROMANIA AND BULGARIA.

A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN WOULD NOT DENY OR CONFIRM THE REPORT BUT DID SAY THAT JAPAN HOPES TO ARRANGE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE THREE EAST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST GOVERNMENTS. RELATIONS WITH ALL THREE WERE BROKEN OFF DURING WORLD WAR II.

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TOKYO, MARCH 18 (AP)--JAPANESE PREMIER NOBUSUKE KISHI TODAY OPENED ASIA'S FIRST PRODUCTIVITY CONFERENCE AND EXPRESSED HOPE THE THREE-DAY MEETING WOULD HELP OVERCOME POVERTY AND CONTRIBUTE TOWARD WORLD PEACE.

KISHI, WHOSE GOVERNMENT CALLED THE 15-NATION PARLEY TO DISCUSS WAYS OF IMPROVING PRODUCTIVITY IN ASIA, TOLD DELEGATES:

"AFTER A TRIP THROUGH ASIA LAST YEAR, I KEENLY FELT IT NECESSARY TO IMPROVE AND ENHANCE TECHNICAL EXCHANGE AMONG ASIAN NATIONS TO OVERCOME UNDERDEVELOPED ECONOMIES."

ATTENDING THE CONFERENCE ARE 47 DELEGATES AND OBSERVERS FROM AFGHANISTAN, BURMA, CAMBODIA, CEYLON, NATIONALIST CHINA, INDIA, INDONESIA, LAOS, MALAYA, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, THE PHILIPPINES, THAILAND, SOUTH VIET NAM AND JAPAN.

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TOKYO, MARCH 18 (AP)--THE EAST ASIA INSTITUTE OF COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY HAS PRESENTED MICROFILMS OF JAPANESE ARMY AND NAVY DOCUMENTS TO THE LIBRARY OF JAPAN'S PARLIAMENT.

THE LIBRARY SAID THE FILMS WOULD BE INVALUABLE TO STUDENTS OF MODERN JAPANESE HISTORY.

THEY WERE MADE FROM OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS SEIZED BY U.S. OCCUPATION FORCES AT THE END OF WORLD WAR II. THE ORIGINALS WERE RETURNED TO THE JAPANESE DEFENSE BOARD LAST SUMMER.

THE EAST ASIA INSTITUTE MICROFILMED THE PAPERS AS PART OF ITS STUDY OF JAPANESE HISTORY.

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UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., MARCH 18 (AP)--ISRAEL CHARGED TODAY THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC HAS STARTED BARRING ISRAELI EXPORT PRODUCTS FROM TRANSIT THROUGH THE SUEZ CANAL.

ISRAEL ASKED BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES TO HELP GET THE BARS LIFTED AND HINTED THAT IT MIGHT SEEK ACTION FROM THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL.

ISRAELI DELEGATE ABBA EBAN DISTRIBUTED A LETTER SENT TO THE COUNCIL IT SAID U.A.R. AUTHORITIES HAD STOPPED LIBERIAN AND WEST GERMAN STEAMSHIPS AT PORT SAID AND SEIZED CARGOES FROM ISRAEL THAT WERE BOUND FOR CEYLON, HONG KONG, MALAYA AND THE PHILIPPINES AND OWNED BY CONSIGNEES IN THOSE PLACES.

EBAN SAID THE U.A.R. PREVIOUSLY HAD KEPT ISRAELI SHIPS FROM USING THE CANAL AND HAD STOPPED SOME CARGOES BOUND FOR ISRAEL ABOARD FOREIGN-FLAG VESSELS ON GROUNDS THEY WOULD ADD TO ISRAEL'S MILITARY STRENGTH. HE DECLARED, HOWEVER, THAT NEVER BEFORE HAD THE U.A.R. INTERFERED WITH SHIPMENTS OUTWARD BOUND FROM ISRAEL ABOARD SUCH VESSELS.

EBAN SAID SUCH ACTION VIOLATED THE 1888 SUEZ CANAL CONVENTION, THE U.N. CHARTER AND 1951 AND 1956 SECURITY-COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS AGAINST ANY INTERFERENCE WITH SUEZ-CANAL SHIPMENTS.

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WITH U.N. ISRAEL (120)

EILAT, ISRAEL, MARCH 18 (AP)--ISRAELI PREMIER DAVID BEN-GURION SAID TONIGHT ISRAEL MIGHT ONCE MORE BE FORCED TO FIGHT FOR FREEDOM OF SHIPPING IN THE GULF OF AQABA.

HE WAS SPEAKING AT A PARADE CELEBRATING THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OCCUPATION OF THIS GULF PORT BY ISRAELI FORCES.

HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH ISRAEL HOLDS EILAT ITSELF, U.N. FORCES AT SHARM EL SHEIKH ARE GUARDING THE ENTRANCE TO THE 80-MILE LONG SEA LANE LEADING FROM THE RED SEA TO EILAT WITH ON ONE SIDE THE EGYPTIAN SINAI PENINSULA COAST AND ON THE OTHER SAUDI ARABIA.

THERE WAS NO GUARANTEE, BEN-GURION SAID, THAT THE U.N. FORCES WOULD STAY AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE GULF. BUT ISRAEL DOES HAVE THE STRENGTH NEEDED TO DEFEND RIGHTS OF FREEDOM OF SHIPPING IN THE STRAIT, HE DECLARED.

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(220) DEFENSE-BERLIN

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)--SENATORS GOT A TOP SECRET INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING TODAY ON THE TENSE BERLIN CRISIS AND SOVIET RUSSIAN FORCES FROM ALLEN W. DULLES, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. SEN. LYNDON B. JOHNSON (D-TEX), CHAIRMAN OF THE PREPAREDNESS SUB-COMMITTEE, TOLD NEWSMEN THE CLOSED-DOOR SESSION WAS CALLED TO QUESTION DULLES ABOUT NUMEROUS "HIGHLY CLASSIFIED MATTERS." THE COMMITTEE RECENTLY HEARD SIMILAR TESTIMONY FROM TOP MILITARY

SERVICE LEADERS ON THE BERLIN SITUATION AND ADEQUACY OF PRESENT AND FUTURE DEFENSE EFFORTS.

THIS TESTIMONY WAS MADE PUBLIC IN PART AFTER BEING SCREENED BY PENTAGON OFFICIALS DISCLOSED NUMEROUS DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ON THE STRENGTH OF SOVIET MILITARY MIGHT.

SEN. STUART SYMINGTON (D-MO) AND HENRY M. JACKSON (D-WASH), FREQUENT CRITICS OF ADMINISTRATION DEFENSE POLICIES, RAISED NUMEROUS QUESTIONS ABOUT INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATES OF SOVIET AND SATELLITE STRENGTH DURING THE MILITARY LEADERS' TESTIMONY.

SEN. STYLES BRIDGES (R-NH) SAID DULLES' TESTIMONY TODAY WAS TO CLARIFY SOME OF THESE QUESTIONS AND PRESENT THE LATEST INFORMATION ON THE BERLIN SITUATION.

UNLIKE TESTIMONY BY MILITARY LEADERS, NO RECORD OR TRANSCRIPT WAS MADE OF DULLES' TESTIMONY BECAUSE OF THE CAUTIOUS SECURITY MEASURES FOLLOWED BY THE CIA.

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(240) SECOND NIGHT LEAD FOREIGN AID
BY EDMOND LEBRETON

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-SEN. J. WILLIAM FULBRIGHT (D-ARK) SAID TODAY THE EISENHOWER ADMINISTRATION'S APPROACH TO FOREIGN AID INDICATES IT IS "UNAWARE OF THE DEPTH AND SCOPE OF THE SOVIET CHALLENGE."

FULBRIGHT, CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, INTRODUCED THE NEW \$3,930,000,000 (B) FOREIGN AID AUTHORIZATION, AT THE ADMINISTRATION'S REQUEST.

BUT HE TOLD THE SENATE HE RESERVES "MY RIGHT TO SUPPORT IT IN WHOLE OR IN PART, AND TO OFFER AMENDMENTS AS MAY SEEM APPROPRIATE."

FULBRIGHT STRONGLY INDICATED BY HIS REMARKS THAT HE FELT THE ADMINISTRATION WAS NOT PLANNING ENOUGH FOREIGN AID, BUT HE DID NOT SPELL THIS OUT IN SO MANY WORDS.

THE HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, ALREADY HOLDING HEARINGS ON A COMPANION BILL, MEANWHILE HEARD A PLEA FOR THE FULL \$1,600,000,000 SOUGHT FOR MILITARY FOREIGN AID, SO THAT MODERNIZATION OF NATO AND OTHER FRIENDLY FORCES WOULD NOT BE HELD UP.

FULBRIGHT CALLED ATTENTION TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S RECENT REMARKS THAT THE FOREIGN AID PROGRAM IS THE SAME ONE CONGRESS AUTHORIZED LAST YEAR.

"THERE IS NO EVIDENCE THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS NOW OR EVER WILL BE WILLING TO URGE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE TO TAKE IN ONE NOTCH ON OUR BELT TO DEAL WITH A SOVIET CHALLENGE WHICH CONFRONTS US IN MISSILES, ARMS, AND JUST DOWNRIGHT CAPACITY TO PRODUCE," FULBRIGHT SAID.

"I BELIEVE THAT THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA WILL RISE TO THE NEEDS OF OUR SITUATION IF THEY ARE CLEARLY TOLD WHAT IS AT STAKE.

"THEY CERTAINLY WOULD BE WILLING TO BE TAXED IF IT IS NECESSARY TO SURVIVAL, BUT I AM NOT SURE THE ADMINISTRATION AGREES WITH EVEN THAT SIMPLE PROPOSITION."

FULBRIGHT SAID THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE WILL BEGIN PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE NEW AID PROGRAM ABOUT APRIL 15.

THE HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE HEARD SECRETARY OF DEFENSE NEIL H. MCELROY AND GEN. NATHAN F. TWINING, CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF, TESTIFY IN SUPPORT OF THE MILITARY AID PROGRAM.

MEMBERS QUOTED MCELROY AS SAYING AT A CLOSED AFTERNOON SESSION THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS WHAT IT TAKES MILITARILY TO BACK UP A FIRM STAND IN THE BERLIN CRISIS.

CHAIRMAN THOMAS E. MORGAN (D-PA) SAID MCELROY HAD SPOKEN WELL OF A REPORT BY A SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL PANEL, WHICH YESTERDAY RECOMMENDED THE MILITARY FOREIGN AID PROGRAM BE STEPPED UP 500 MILLION DOLLARS, LARGELY TO PROVIDE NEW TYPE WAR MATERIEL FOR NATO POWERS.

BUT MORGAN SAID MCELROY DID NOT DIRECTLY ASK FOR SUCH AN INCREASE, SAYING THAT SUCH A REQUEST, IF MADE, WOULD COME FROM THE PRESIDENT AND

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THAT THE PANEL REPORT IS STILL UNDER STUDY.

THE COMMITTEE HEARD MCELROY AND TWINING READ BRIEF STATEMENTS IN PUBLIC, THEN AGAIN WENT BEHIND CLOSED DOORS TO CONTINUE HEARINGS ON THE AID BILL.

THERE WAS NO PUBLIC CONTROVERSY THIS TIME. YESTERDAY, REP. WAYNE L. HAYS (D-OHIO) THREATENED TO DISCLOSE SECRET COUNTRY BY COUNTRY TOTALS ON AID WHEN THE COMMITTEE WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO QUESTION UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE C. DOUGLAS BILSON.

DURING A RECESS IN TODAY'S CLOSED HEARINGS, CHAIRMAN THOMAS E. MORGAN (D-PA) TOLD NEWSMEN SOME OF THE TESTIMONY OF THE MILITARY CHIEFS WAS "DYNAMITE." HE SAID A TRANSCRIPT CENSORED FOR SECURITY WILL BE MADE PUBLIC LATER.

TWINING SAID PUBLICLY "ANY LIMITATIONS OR REDUCTIONS IN THE PROGRAM WOULD VIRTUALLY ELIMINATE ALL MODERNIZATION AND FORCE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED TO ACCOMPLISH THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FORCE OBJECTIVES."

THE UNITED STATES AND ITS ALLIES FOR SEVERAL YEARS HAVE BEEN WORKING TOWARD EQUIPPING THEIR FORCES WITH STANDARD, INTERCHANGEABLE MODERN WEAPONS. AMENDMENTS TO THE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT LAST YEAR OPENED THE WAY ADDITIONALLY FOR EQUIPPING SOME ALLIES WITH THE NON-NUCLEAR PARTS OF CERTAIN ATOMIC WEAPONS.

MCELROY ALSO EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF THE MODERNIZATION EFFORTS WHEN HE SPOKE BRIEFLY WITH NEWSMEN DURING A RECESS.

TWINING SPOKE OUT AGAINST CONSIDERING FOREIGN AID A "BOONDOGGLE." HE SAID IT ALREADY "HAS SERVED IN SOME MEASURE . . . TO DETER LIMITED AND GENERAL WAR."

IMPORTANCE OF THE OVERSEAS BASES MADE POSSIBLE BY THE PROGRAM, HE SAID, "IS HIGHLIGHTED BY THE REPEATED SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO DEPRIVE US OF THEM--THERE CAN BE NO BETTER REASON FOR THEIR CONTINUED EXISTENCE."

MCELROY SAID: "THE STAUNCH STAND OF OUR NATO ALLIES WITH US ON THE BERLIN SITUATION OVER THE PAST THREE MONTHS EXEMPLIFIES NATO'S COHESION AND SOLIDARITY."

HE REMINDED THE LAWMAKERS THERE HAS BEEN NO AGGRESSION IN EUROPE SINCE NATO WAS FOUNDED IN 1949.

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(250) BERLIN-DEFENSE

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-SECRETARY OF DEFENSE NEIL MCELROY WAS QUOTED AS TELLING CONGRESS TODAY THE UNITED STATES HAS WHAT IT TAKES MILITARILY TO BACK UP A FIRM STAND IN THE BERLIN CRISIS.

THIS IS THE WAY MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE PARAPHRASED TESTIMONY MCELROY GAVE IN MORE THAN THREE HOURS OF CLOSED DOOR SESSION. PRAISE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION SPOKESMAN'S STATEMENT OF POSITION CAME BOTH FROM CHAIRMAN THOMAS E. MORGAN (D-PA) AND FROM REP. WAYNE L. HAYS (D-OHIO), WHO HAS CRITICIZED SOME OF PRESIDENT EISENHOWER'S STATEMENTS ON BERLIN.

"I BELIEVE THE SECRETARY REASSURED THE FULL MEMBERSHIP THAT A FIRM STAND ON BERLIN CAN BE BACKED UP MILITARILY," MORGAN SAID.

HAYS EARLIER HAD CRITICIZED WHAT HE CALLED A CONTRADICTION BETWEEN STATEMENTS BY EISENHOWER AND OTHER HIGH ADMINISTRATION FIGURES. HE SAID EISENHOWER INDICATED THE UNITED STATES WOULD NOT USE GROUND TROOPS IN A EUROPEAN FIGHT AND THAT OFFICIALS EARLIER HAD GIVEN ASSURANCES THE UNITED STATES WOULD NOT FIRST USE INTERCONTINENTAL MISSILES.

"I PUT THE QUESTION ABOUT THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT ON GROUND TROOPS POINT BLANK TO MCELROY," HAYS SAID. "I CAN'T TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT HE REPLIED BECAUSE OF SECURITY, BUT I THINK HE CLEARED THE AIR PRETTY THOROUGHLY. HE CERTAINLY ANSWERED BETTER THAN THE PRESIDENT HAD."

MORGAN SAID A CENSORED VERSION OF MCELROY'S TESTIMONY. TO RE

PUBLIC LATER BY THE COMMITTEE, SHOULD SET AT REST MANY DOUBTS. MCELROY WAS BEFORE THE GROUP PRIMARILY TO TESTIFY ON THE ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN AID PROGRAM, BUT QUESTIONING AT A CLOSED SESSION APPARENTLY DEALT LARGELY WITH THE CURRENT DEFENSE POSITION.

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WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-THE ARMY ANNOUNCED TODAY A SECOND REDSTONE BALLISTIC MISSILE GROUP WILL LEAVE FOR GERMANY NEXT MONTH TO PROVIDE FURTHER FIRE SUPPORT FOR NATO GROUND FORCES.

THE MOVE WAS DESCRIBED AS LONG PLANNED -- THAT IS NOT DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH THE DEVELOPING BERLIN CRISIS.

THE 46TH ARTILLERY GROUP NOW LOCATED AT FT. SILL, OKLA., IS THE UNIT SELECTED. IT HAS 650 OFFICERS AND MEN AND TWO REDSTONE FIRING BATTERIES. EACH BATTERY HAS ONE LAUNCHER TO HURL THE 200-MILE RANGE MISSILE WHICH CAN CARRY A NUCLEAR WARHEAD.

THE GROUP IS COMMANDED BY COL. ALLAN S. HIRSCH, OF WAUSAU, WIS. PERSONNEL OF THE UNIT WILL LEAVE FROM THE BROOKLYN ARMY TERMINAL, N.Y. THE MISSILES, LAUNCHERS AND SUPPORTING ENGINEERING EQUIPMENT WILL BE SHIPPED FROM BEAUMONT, TEX.

THE FIRST REDSTONE UNIT MOVED TO EUROPE LAST YEAR. IT IS ATTACHED TO THE 7TH ARMY IN GERMANY.

THE ARMY SAID THE OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENT OF THE SECOND REDSTONE UNIT WAS PLANNED SOMETIME AGO AND IS A PART OF THE ARMY MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.

REDSTONE IS CURRENTLY THE LONGEST RANGE ARMY SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE. A SUCCESSOR, NAMED "PERSHING," IS UNDER DEVELOPMENT WITH A SCHEDULED RANGE OF ABOUT 400 MILES.

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NIGHT LEAD LEMNITZER

BY JERRY T. BAULCH

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-GEN. LYMAN L. LEMNITZER, WHO BECAME A PARATROOPER AT THE AGE OF 31, TODAY WAS TAPPED BY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER TO TAKE OVER AS ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF NEXT JULY 1.

NOW 59, LEMNITZER HAS BEEN VICE CHIEF OF STAFF SINCE JULY 1957. HE WILL SUCCEED GEN. MAXWELL D. TAYLOR, WHO PLANS TO RETIRE WHEN HIS TERM EXPIRES JUNE 30. THE WHITE HOUSE SAID TAYLOR HAD ASKED THAT HE NOT BE REAPPOINTED.

UNLIKE TWO YEARS AGO WHEN THERE WAS A MAJOR RESHUFFLE OF THE PENTAGON TOP COMMAND, EISENHOWER RENOMINATED THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF.

GEN. NATHAN F. TWining WAS NAMED TO A SECOND TWO-YEAR TERM AS CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS. HIS PRESENT TERM EXPIRES AUG. 15.

ADM. ARLEIGH A. BURKE WAS NOMINATED TO HIS THIRD TERM AS CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, TO EXTEND UNTIL AUGUST 1961.

GEN. THOMAS D. WHITE WAS SELECTED FOR A SECOND TERM AS AIR FORCE CHIEF OF STAFF FOR THE TWO YEARS BEYOND NEXT JUNE 30.

ALL FOUR NOMINATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE SENATE.

GEN. RANDOLPH PATE, COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS, IS SERVING A TERM WHICH RUNS UNTIL NEXT JANUARY. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE JOINT CHIEFS WHENEVER MATTERS TOUCHING ON THE CORPS ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION.

BY BECOMING THE ARMY'S TOP GENERAL, LEMNITZER MOVES INTO A STRATEGIC POSITION TO BECOME CHIEF OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF IN 1961.

THE CUSTOM IS TO ROTATE THE JOB AMONG THE THREE SERVICES AND IF THIS IS FOLLOWED THE ARMY'S TURN IS NEXT. EVEN IF THIS IS SO,

HOWEVER, THERE IS NO CERTAINTY LEMNITZER WILL BE THE MAN PICKED. UNDER THE LAW, THE CHAIRMANSHIP CANNOT BE HELD BY ONE MAN FOR MORE THAN FOUR YEARS, WHICH TWining WILL HAVE SERVED IN 1961. BEFORE TWining, THE JOB WAS HELD BY ARMY GEN. OMAR N. BRADLEY AND NAVY ADM.

ARTHUR W. RADFORD.

TWining WILL BE HELD IN SERVICE BY EISENHOWER BEYOND THE NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE OF 62. HE WILL REACH THAT AGE NEXT OCTOBER. THE PRESIDENT HAS AUTHORITY TO HOLD A SENIOR OFFICER ON ACTIVE DUTY UP TO HIS 64TH BIRTHDAY.

TAYLOR HAS BEEN REPORTED FOR SOME TIME PLANNING TO RETIRE UNLESS HE WERE ASKED TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS.

HE HAS PUBLICLY OPPOSED PROPOSED CUTS IN THE ARMY STRENGTH. WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JAMES C. HAGERTY WAS ASKED IF TAYLOR WAS BEING DROPPED BECAUSE OF THIS. HAGERTY SAID THAT WAS NOT THE CASE. HE SAID TAYLOR HAD TOLD SECRETARY OF DEFENSE NEIL MCELROY SOME TIME AGO THAT HE DID NOT WISH ANOTHER TERM AS ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF.

LEMNITZER'S SELECTION AS TAYLOR'S SUCCESSOR HAD BEEN EXPECTED. NO ONE HAS BEEN NAMED TO REPLACE HIM AS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF.

BORN IN HONESDALE, PA., LEMNITZER IS A 1920 GRADUATE OF THE U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY AND WAS COMMISSIONED IN THE COAST ARTILLERY.

LEMNITZER HAS LONG BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH EISENHOWER. HE WAS IN THE ARMY WAR PLANS DIVISION WHEN EISENHOWER CAME HERE DURING THE EARLY MONTHS OF WORLD WAR II AS A PLANNING SPECIALIST. HE ALSO SERVED WITH EISENHOWER IN EUROPE, INCLUDING THE JOB OF ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF TO PLAN THE INVASION OF NORTH AFRICA.

THE GENERAL, A DARK-HAIRED SIX FOOTER, SUCCEEDED TAYLOR AS COMMANDER OF U. S. ARMY FORCES IN THE FAR EAST IN 1953. WHEN TAYLOR BECAME ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF, LEMNITZER TOOK OVER HIS JOB AS COMMANDER OF THE FAR EAST COMMAND AND COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE U. N. COMMAND.

LEMNITZER WAS AWARDED THE LEGION OF MERIT FOR ACCOMPANYING GEN. MARK W. CLARK ON A SECRET SUBMARINE MISSION TO NORTH AFRICA IN 1942. A YEAR LATER HE PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN NEGOTIATIONS WHICH LED TO ITALY'S CAPITULATION.

IN 1949, LEMNITZER WAS DIRECTOR OF THE THEN NEWLY FORMED OFFICE OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO COORDINATE ARMS AID TO THE ATLANTIC PACT NATIONS.

IT WAS IN LATE 1950, AS A TWO-STAR GENERAL, THAT HE QUALIFIED AS A PARATROOPER AND BECAME COMMANDER OF THE FAMED 11TH AIRBORNE DIVISION.

LEMNITZER COMMANDED THE 7TH INFANTRY DIVISION DURING THE KOREAN FIGHTING.

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PERSONALITY IN THE NEWS

LEMNITZER

BY C. YATES MCDANIEL

WASHINGTON, MARCH 18 (AP)-PRESIDENT EISENHOWER CAUSED LITTLE SURPRISE IN SELECTING AS THE ARMY'S NEXT CHIEF AN OFFICER WHO OFTEN HAS WON ATTENTION FOR HIS HANDLING OF DELICATE JOBS THAT FEW SOLDIERS ARE CALLED UPON TO TACKLE.

ONE SURPRISE IN TODAY'S NOMINATION OF GEN. LYMAN L. LEMNITZER TO BE THE ARMY'S 21ST CHIEF OF STAFF IS A REVERSAL OF THE RECENT TREND TOWARD PICKING YOUNGER MEN FOR TOP MILITARY JOBS.

WHEN LEMNITZER MOVES UP FROM VICE CHIEF ON JULY 1 HE WILL BE LESS THAN TWO MONTHS SHY OF HIS 60TH BIRTHDAY. THAT WILL MAKE HIM THE OLDEST TO TAKE OVER THE ARMY'S HIGHEST MILITARY POST SINCE EARLY WORLD WAR I DAYS.

BORN IN HONESDALE, PA., LEMNITZER STARTED HIS MILITARY CAREER WITH FEW SIGNS OF THE PROFESSIONAL EMINENCE HE WAS DESTINED TO REACH. HE GRADUATED NUMBER 86TH IN A CLASS OF 271 FROM THE U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY IN 1920. HE WAS COMMISSIONED IN THE COAST ARTILLERY, A BRANCH OF THE SERVICE THAT WENT OUT OF EXISTENCE BEFORE LEMNITZER EVER SAW COMBAT ACTION.

LEMNITZER IS KNOWN AS A MAN OF MODERATION. HE DOESN'T SMOKE. HE

RARELY PLAYS GOLF BECAUSE HE DOESN'T FIND THE TIME. BUT HE ENJOYS A GOOD MEAL; HIS AIDES SAY HE DOES NOT WANT ANY PARTICULAR FUSS MADE ABOUT WHAT HE EATS.

LEMNITZER IS THOROUGHLY CONVENTIONAL IN THE WAY HE WEARS HIS UNIFORM AND HAT. IN FACT, HIS ASSOCIATES AND AIDES DESCRIBE HIM AS CONVENTIONAL RIGHT DOWN THE LINE.

HIS ONCE DARK BROWN HAIR IS SHOWING SOME GRAY AND IS A LITTLE THINNER, BUT IT IS STILL AMPLY SUFFICIENT TO BE COMBED NEATLY.

HIS EYES ARE THE MOST NOTICEABLE FEATURE ABOUT THE NEXT ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF. THEY ARE A DEEP BROWN, DEEPLY SET IN THEIR SOCKETS. A FEW YEARS AGO LEMNITZER'S FEATURES WOULD HAVE BEEN DESCRIBED AS FINELY CHISELED, BUT THE YEARS ARE BEGINNING TO ROUND THEM OFF.

LEMNITZER HAS MADE A GOOD START ON ESTABLISHING A MILITARY FAMILY. HIS DAUGHTER LOIS, WAS MARRIED THIS YEAR TO ARMY LT. H.E. SIMPSON, NOW STATIONED AT FT. SILL, OKLA.

HIS SON, ARMY CAPT. WILLIAM LYMAN LEMNITZER, HAS FOLLOWED IN HIS FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS. HE IS NOW TEACHING PHYSICS AND CHEMISTRY AT THE MILITARY ACADEMY. THE SON HAS THREE BOYS, ALL TOO YOUNG FOR MILITARY SERVICE.

SINCE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON AS VICE CHIEF OF STAFF TWO YEARS AGO, LEMNITZER HAS FOUND LITTLE TIME FOR GOLF OR ANY ORGANIZED FORM OF RECREATION.

WHEN HE GOES ON TRIPS, HOWEVER, LEMNITZER BECOMES AN AVID AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHER. THE YOUNGER OFFICERS WHO WORK FOR HIM SAY HIS PICTURES ARE QUITE GOOD.

ALTHOUGH MOST OF HIS ASSIGNMENTS HAVE INVOLVED HIM IN STAFF OR DESK WORK, LEMNITZER HAS HELD ~~many~~ KEY JOBS THAT REQUIRED THE DELICATE TOUCH.

FOR INSTANCE, AS A MEMBER OF EISENHOWER'S ALLIED HEADQUARTER STAFF IN WORLD WAR II, HE WENT WITH GEN. MARK CLARK ON THE FURTIVE SUBMARINE TRIP TO NORTH AFRICA TO SEEK SUPPORT, OR AT LEAST NEUTRALITY, OF FRENCH OFFICIALS THERE. IT WON HIM THE LEGION OF MERIT.

HE HELPED CONDUCT THE DELICATE NEGOTIATIONS THAT RESULTED IN THE CAPITULATION OF ITALY AND LATER ALSO PLAYED A ROLE IN THE SURRENDER OF THE GERMANS IN ITALY AND SOUTHERN AUSTRIA.

LEMNITZER SHOOK OFF DESK WORK LONG ENOUGH TO QUALIFY AS A PARATROOPER IN 1950, AFTER THE KOREAN WAR BROKE OUT. HE WAS 51 THEN.

LATER HE COMMANDED THE 7TH INFANTRY DIVISION IN THE FIGHTING, BUT FOR LESS THAN A YEAR. HE WAS CALLED BACK TO THE PENTAGON AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF FOR PLANS AND RESEARCH.

HE HAD TO DEAL WITH THE DELICATE POSTWAR KOREAN FRONT PROBLEMS AS COMMANDER OF U.S. AND UNITED NATIONS FORCES.

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CLEVELAND, MARCH 18, (AP)--DR. FRANZ KRAPP SAID TONIGHT WEST GERMANS ARE AFRAID SOVIET RUSSIA WILL USE THE "SALAMI TECHNIQUE" ON WEST BERLIN.

"THAT IS, THEY WILL SLICE AWAY A LITTLE AT A TIME," DR. KRAPP, MINISTER AT THE WEST GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, TOLD A WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL MEETING HERE.

"THEY WILL CREATE SMALL DIFFICULTIES AND INCREASE THEM LITTLE BY LITTLE. EACH STEP WOULD NOT BE RECOGNIZED AS AN ACT OF AGGRESSION, BUT THEY WOULD ADD UP IN THE END TO THE LOSS OF WEST BERLIN."

THIS, SAID DR. KRAPP, WEST GERMANS FEAR MORE THAN AN IMMEDIATE BLOCKADE AFTER THE MAY 27 DEADLINE SET FOR WITHDRAWAL OF THE WESTERN ALLIES FROM BERLIN.

HE SUGGESTED THE SMALL DIFFICULTIES MIGHT BE SUCH ACTS AS INSISTING ON INSPECTING THE CARGO OF WESTERN TRANSPORTS OR CAUSING BRIDGES ON

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THEIR ROUTE TO BE UNDER REPAIR.

"WHAT WE HAVE TO AGREE ON," HE SAID, "IS AT WHICH ACT WE DRAW THE LINE. THE BIG QUESTION FOR THE WESTERN WORLD IS HOW FAR IT CAN GIVE IN TO THE COMMUNISTS."

DR. WILLHELM GREWE, GERMAN AMBASSADOR HAD BEEN SCHEDULED TO APPEAR, BUT WAS CALLED BACK TO BERLIN FOR DISCUSSIONS ON THE BERLIN CRISIS. DR. KRAPP APPEARED IN HIS PLACE.

HE SAID IT APPEARS "SOVIET POLICY IS AIMING FOR A LONG-LASTING DIVISION OF GERMANY. WE CANNOT DISCOVER ANY DESIRE FOR UNIFICATION IN ANY SOVIET PROPOSALS. WE COULD GET UNIFICATION OVERNIGHT IF WE SHOULD AGREE TO CONDITIONS THAT WOULD PUT WEST GERMANY UNDER SOVIET CONTROL."
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BY JACK KING

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA., MARCH 18 (AP)--A FIRE-BELCHING ATLAS MISSILE SPORTING A SHINY NEW WARHEAD SURGED SKYWARD TONIGHT ON THE START OF A 15,000 M.P.H. FLIGHT TEST THROUGH THE FRINGES OF SPACE.

ATLAS, THE INTERCONTINENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILE THAT SOON WILL DOUBLE IN BRASS AS THE BOOSTER FOR HUGE SATELLITES AND LATER FOR THE FIRST MAN IN SPACE, BLASTED OUT A TRIPLE TAIL OF FIRE AS IT CLIMBED THROUGH THE CLOUDS AT 9 P.M. EST.

THE APPEARANCE OF THE HUGE WHITE NOSE-CONE SEATED SNUGLY ATOP THE 80-FOOT ROCKET WAS THE FEATURE OF THE SPECTACULAR LAUNCHING, THE 22ND IN 22 MONTHS.

IT WAS LEARNED THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME AN ATTEMPT WOULD BE MADE TO RECOVER THE COMPLETE WARHEAD INTACT TO SEE HOW IT WEATHERED A FIERY RE-ENTRY FROM SPACE THROUGH THE EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE.

IT WAS NOT KNOWN IMMEDIATELY WHETHER THE MILITARY WOULD MAKE ANY OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RECOVERY OPERATION IF THE REST OF THE FLIGHT WAS COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL.

THE NEW CONE, RADICAL COMPARED WITH THE BLUNT-SHAPED DEVICE THAT USUALLY IS ON TOP OF ATLAS, REPORTEDLY WAS A PROTOTYPE OF THE ONE THAT WOULD HOUSE A THERMONUCLEAR PAYLOAD IN THE EVENT OF WAR.

THE NEW SHAPE RAISED SOME SPECULATION THAT TONIGHT'S SHOOT MIGHT BE OUT OF THE ORDINARY, BUT THE BEST INDICATIONS APPEARED TO BE A REGULAR TRIP SOME 4,500 MILES DOWN THE TEST RANGE.

VETERAN MISSILE OBSERVERS RECALLED THAT THE LAST DRASTIC CHANGE IN AN ATLAS NOSE-CONE CAME DEC. 18 WHEN THE WEAPON FIRED ITSELF INTO AN ORBIT THAT LASTED 35 DAYS.

UP TO NOW, ONLY A TINY DATA CAPSULE INSIDE THE NOSE-CONE HAD BEEN RECOVERED ON PREVIOUS ATLAS FLIGHTS.

THE NEW WARHEAD WAS DESCRIBED AS ABLATIVE -- THE MISSILE MAN'S TERM FOR A DEVICE THAT PEELS AWAY IN THE FACE OF THE TREMENDOUS HEAT FRICTION ENCOUNTERED ON RE-ENTRY. WHILE THE OUTER COAT BURNS OFF, WHAT WOULD BE A NUCLEAR PAYLOAD DURING WARTIME WOULD BE PROTECTED UNTIL THE BLAZING RE-ENTRY PHASE IS COMPLETED.

THE EARLY CLIMB OF THE 120-TON MISSILE FROM A BOILING MASS OF FIRE APPEARED TO BE PERFECT IN CONTRAST WITH THE LAST ATTEMPT FEB. 20. ON THAT TRIP THE BIG ROCKET BLEW APART AFTER ONLY THREE MINUTES OF FLIGHT.

THREE POWERFUL ENGINES -- TWIN BOOSTER ROCKETS AND A SUSTAINER -- POURED OUT 360,000 POUNDS OF THRUST AS THE ROCKET ROARED ALOFT. IT WAS IN VIEW FOR ABOUT 90 SECONDS.

THE ATLAS CREWMEN FINALLY GOT A BREAK FROM THE WEATHER MAN. IT WAS A BRISK HEADWIND AT LIFTOFF, BUT NONE OF THE RAIN SQUALLS THAT HAD DRENCHED THE CAPE OVER THE PAST THREE DAYS.

THE ATLAS, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO BECOME OPERATIONAL WITH TROOPS EARLY NEXT YEAR, WILL PLAY ITS FIRST BIG SPACE ROLE THIS JUNE WHEN THE AIR FORCE AND THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION ATTEMPTS TO FIRE A PROBE TO THE PLANET VENUS.

CONVAIR ASTRONAUTICS, DEVELOPER OF THE BULKY ICBM, IS BUILDING A SECOND-STAGE ROCKET, CALLED CENTAUR, THAT WILL BE COUPLED WITH ATLAS FOR SPACE SHOTS.

BUT ATLAS' BIGGEST JOB WILL BE AS THE KEY ROCKET IN "PROJECT MERCURY" -- THE NATION'S MAN-IN-SPACE PROGRAM.

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FOR USE AT 11 A.M. EST TODAY
NEW YORK, MARCH 18 (AP)--THE ARMY SIGNAL CORPS DISPLAYED PUBLICLY FOR THE FIRST TIME TODAY A REVOLUTIONARY NEW MICRO-MODULE ELECTRONICS CONCEPT, EXPECTED TO PLAY A KEY ROLE IN THE SPACE AGE OF MISSILES.

THE MICRO-MODULE PROGRAM, NOW NEARING ITS FIRST ANNIVERSARY, ALREADY HAS PRODUCED RADIOS SMALL AS SUGAR LUMPS. IT PROMISES A 10-FOLD CUT AND MORE IN THE SIZE AND WEIGHT OF MILITARY DEVICES, SUCH AS ROCKET AND SATELLITE SYSTEMS.

WORKING MODELS OF NEW MINIATURE MILITARY RADIOS, RADAR CONTROLS, TACTICAL TELEPHONE SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER CIRCUITRY WERE UNVEILED TODAY. JOINT SPONSORS OF THE DEMONSTRATION WERE THE SIGNAL CORPS AND RADIO CORP. OF AMERICA, THE PRIME CONTRACTOR, ON BEHALF OF 60 OTHER SUB-CONTRACTORS IN THE PROGRAM.

MICRO-MINIATURE-MODULARIZATION IS A FOUR-DOLLAR PHRASE FOR THIS PROGRAM OF COMpressing TRANSISTORS AND OTHER BASIC ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS INTO TINY CIRCUIT BUILDING BLOCKS OF UNIFORM SIZE AND SHAPE. EACH OF THESE BUILDING BLOCKS IS ABOUT THREE-TENTHS OF AN INCH SQUARE. A CUBIC INCH WILL HOLD 27 BLOCKS.

STACKED UP, THESE BUILDING BLOCKS CAN FUNCTION AS COMPLETE CIRCUITS, SUCH AS AMPLIFIERS, OSCILLATORS AND OTHER COMPLEX UNITS. EXPERIMENTAL EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN BUILT WITH A PRACTICAL PARTS DENSITY OF 600,000 IN A CUBIC FOOT. THEY ARE RUGGED AND RELIABLE.

BRIG. GEN. EARL F. COOK, CHIEF OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ARMY SIGNAL CORPS, SAID, "ANY FUTURE WAR WILL DEMAND A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN THE BULK AND WEIGHT OF ESSENTIAL MILITARY MATERIAL. NOTHING LESS THAN A 10 TIMES REDUCTION WILL DO--THAT IS THE MINIMUM."

EXPERTS MAKING USE OF THE "DISCIPLINED GEOMETRY" OF MICRO-MODULES ALREADY HAVE ACHIEVED A BETTER THAN 10-TO-1 REDUCTION OVER SOME OF TODAY'S BEST EQUIPMENT USING PRINTED CIRCUITS, TRANSISTORS AND OTHER SMALL PARTS. GEN. COOK SAID.

THE REDUCTION IS 20-TO-1 IN SOME CASES AND FURTHER COMPRESSION IS CONSIDERED FEASIBLE, SAID DR. CHARLES B. JOLLIFFE, RCA VICE PRESIDENT AND TECHNICAL DIRECTOR.

DR. JOLLIFFE SAID ENGINEERING SAMPLES OF ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS DEVELOPED UNDER THE MICRO-MODULE PROGRAM WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE SHORTLY TO OTHER MILITARY CONTRACTORS.

EVENUALLY MICRO-MODULES WILL FIND THEIR WAY INTO CONSUMER PRODUCTS, HE SAID. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THEY WILL MAKE POSSIBLE A TELEVISION SET, HANGING LIKE A PICTURE ON THE WALL, WITH ALL ITS COMPONENTS IN THE RIM OF THE PICTURE FRAME.

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ADVANCE FOR AMS OF THURSDAY, MARCH 19--EDS: NOTE DATE

(580) CAMP DAVID
BY DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

(ADVANCE) CAMP DAVID, MD., MARCH 18 (AP)--PRESIDENT EISENHOWER AND PRIME MINISTER HAROLD MACMILLAN OF BRITAIN WILL SEEK THE WAYS OF PEACE AT THIS MOUNTAIN TOP HIDEAWAY WHERE OTHER AMERICAN AND BRITISH LEADERS ONCE PORED OVER PLANS FOR WAR.

HERE IT WAS THAT FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT AND WINSTON CHURCHILL BEGAN NEARLY 16 YEARS AGO THE CONFERENCE THAT COMMITTED THE ALLIES OF WORLD WAR II TO THE NORMANY INVASION LED BY GEN. DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER.

AND HERE ANOTHER PRESIDENT AND ANOTHER PRIME MINISTER WILL COME FRIDAY FOR A WEEKEND OF DELIBERATIONS ON HOW TO SOLVE THE BERLIN CRISIS PEACEABLY--AND WHAT TO DO IF IT SHOULD ERUPT INTO WAR.

CAMP DAVID IS A COLLECTION OF LOG CABINS OF ASSORTED SIZES NESTLED ON THE WOODED CREST OF THE CATOCTIN MOUNTAINS, 1,822 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL. IT IS RUSTIC BUT BY NO MEANS ROUGH.

EISENHOWER AND MACMILLAN WILL STAY IN WHAT THE NAVY CARETAKING DETAIL CALLS "THE BIG HOUSE." ORIGINALLY, IT WAS THREE CABINS, WHICH WERE JOINED INTO ONE LARGE ONE WITH A BIG LIVING-DINING ROOM, FOUR BEDROOMS, AND A PICTURE WINDOW AND GLASS-ED-IN PORCH WITH A SPLENDID VIEW TOWARD THE EAST AND SOUTH OVER A BROAD VALLEY.

THE MAIN ROOM IS PANELLED IN NATIVE RED OAK. IT HAS A MASSIVE STONE FIREPLACE AT ONE END. ALL THE BEDROOMS ALSO HAVE FIREPLACES.

FOR WARMER WEATHER, THERE'S A TERRACE OUTSIDE, WITH A BARBECUE.

SOME DISTANCE AWAY IS A SWIMMING POOL. CHURCHILL USED TO LOLL AROUND THERE IN SHORTS AND BATHROBE, A CIGAR SKEWERED INTO THE CORNER OF HIS MOUTH.

GOOD TROUT STREAMS LEAP DOWN THE MOUNTAINS STILL FARTHER AWAY.

AT THE CAMP ITSELF, A LANDING FIELD FOR HELICOPTERS, A PUTTING GREEN AND DRIVING RANGE HAVE BEEN ADDED SINCE EISENHOWER STARTED GOING THERE. HE CHANGED SEVERAL THINGS.

FDR NAMED THE SPOT SHANGRI-LA, AFTER A MYTHICAL MOUNTAIN RETREAT IN FICTION. EISENHOWER RECHRISTENED IT CAMP DAVID, AFTER HIS OLDEST GRAND-CHILD.

ROOSEVELT USED TO CALL THE BIG HOUSE THE "BEAR'S DEN." EISENHOWER RENAMED IT "ASPEN LODGE."

THERE'S ANOTHER LARGE LODGE NEARBY WHICH EISENHOWER HAS USED IN THE PAST FOR LARGE CONFERENCES. HE CALLS THAT ONE "LAUREL LODGE." WHILE CONVALESCING FROM HIS 1955 HEART ATTACK, EISENHOWER USED IT FOR SESSIONS WITH HIS CABINET AND THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.

EISENHOWER HAS USED CAMP DAVID MORE THAN DID EITHER ROOSEVELT OR HARRY S. TRUMAN, ALTHOUGH HIS OWN COUNTRY ESTATE IS ONLY 25 MILES AWAY AT GETTYSBURG, PA.

FOR ONE THING, IT'S EASIER TO OPEN UP FOR A WEEKEND THAN HIS BIG FARMHOUSE. THE NAVY KEEPS A CREW ON DUTY CONTINUOUSLY, FOR HOUSEKEEPING, COOKING, AND LOOKING AFTER THE PLACE IN GENERAL.

THAT IS A THROWBACK TO THE ROOSEVELT DAYS. FDR BORROWED MESSBOYS, COOKS AND STEWARDS FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT WILLIAMSBURG TO HELP OUT AT SHANGRI-LA AND THE NAVY HAS BEEN IN CHARGE EVER SINCE.

DURING THE WAR, ROOSEVELT COULDN'T USE THE WILLIAMSBURG. FOR THE TIMES WHEN HE COULD BREAK AWAY FROM WASHINGTON AND ITS PRESSURES, HIS WHITE HOUSE AIDES WANTED A SPOT THAT WASN'T TOO FAR AWAY BUT OFFERED COMPLETE PRIVACY.

WHAT THEY CAME UPON WAS THE CATOCTIN NATIONAL RECREATIONAL AREA, OF SOME 9 OR 10 SQUARE MILES, 6 1/2 MILES FROM THURMONT, IN NORTHERN MARYLAND. IT'S ONLY 60 MILES FROM WASHINGTON.

BACK DURING THE DEPRESSION DAYS OF THE 30s, THE CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS TURNED THE MOUNTAIN CREST INTO A RECREATION AREA FOR PUBLIC USE. MOST OF IT STILL IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE BALTIMORE CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S LEAGUE, FOR EXAMPLE, STILL USES ONE OF THREE CAMPS THAT WERE SET UP.

ONE OF THE CAMPS WAS TAKEN OVER BY THE GOVERNMENT AS A PRESIDENTIAL RETREAT AND CONVERTED INTO A RESTRICTED AREA. THEN, AS NOW, IT WAS A WELL-GUARDED PLACE.

IT WAS READY FOR ROOSEVELT IN THE SPRING OF 1942. HE BEGAN USING IT ALMOST IMMEDIATELY FOR "OFF-THE-RECORD" SORTIES OUT OF WASHINGTON.

CHURCHILL WAS THE FIRST FOREIGN DIGNITARY INVITED THERE AS A GUEST. IT WAS AT SHANGRI-LA IN JUNE OF 1942 THAT THE BRITISH LEADER HEARD

THE OMINOUS NEWS THAT NAZI FORCES WERE THREATENING TO PUSH THE
BRITISH OUT OF NORTH AFRICA.
EISENHOWER GOT HIS FIRST LOOK AT THE PLACE IN MAY OF 1953. HE'S BEEN
GOING THERE FAIRLY FREQUENTLY EVER SINCE.
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